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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Director

SUBJECT: Briefing Material in connection with
Resumption of AQUATONE Operations

1. Attached hereto is a paper entitled "Justification for Penetration Flights by AQUATONE Based on Intelligence Requirements" which has been prepared by the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee on AQUATONE in pursuance of your request for its views on this subject. We hope that it will be useful in the presentation which is being prepared for the President in the near future looking toward permission for the resumption of penetration flights.

2. On the Committee's behalf, let me emphasize that in preparing this paper we have made our best effort to define the minimum important things essential to the solution of the intelligence problems outlined.

4. In view of the limitations which relate to the use of the C configuration, it is the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Requirements Committee that missions using the C configuration should be based upon a careful examination of the product of missions using the B or A-2 configuration, preferably the former, in which case the Committee would be in a position to explain what additional benefit is going to be received.

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5. The Ad Hoc Requirements Committee has prepared for additional guidance of AQUATONE Operations targets which are of high priority in terms of DCID 4/6 and applicable in the USSR, East European Satellites and the Far East. In addition, it is revising and correcting its extensive list of some 3,000 targets of lower priority but of significance which will be useful as bonus targets in Operations' flight planning against the most vital targets.

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Chairman

Ad Hoc Requirements Committee

Attachments

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- 1-Project Director w/atts cy 1
- 2-Army w/atts cy 2
- 3-Navy w/atts cy 3
- 4-AF w/atts cy 4
- 5-NSA w/atts cy 5
- 6-Chairman w/atts cy 6
- 7-DD/I- [REDACTED] w/atts cy 7
- 8-OCI- [REDACTED] w/atts cy 8
- 9-OSI- [REDACTED] w/atts cy 9
- 10-OSI- [REDACTED] w/atts cy 10
- 11-ORR- [REDACTED] w/atts cy 11
- 12-IO w/atts cy 12
- 13-Chief/HTA w/atts cy 13
- 14-TSO w/atts cy 14
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